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No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, April 2, 1884.

## Notices of Firms.

NOTICE. THE PARTNERSHIP between Messrs. STEPHENS & HOLMES, Solicitors, TERMINATED on the 31st March, 1884, and the Undersigned will continue to practise in his own Name at No. 24, QUEEN'S ROAD, adjoining the Hongkong Dispensary.

HENRY J. HOLMES. Hongkong, April 2, 1884.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP between Messrs. STEPHENS & HOLMES having Ex-PIRED on the 31st March, 1884, I have This Day REMOVED my OFFICE to No. 18, BANK BUILDINGS, Queen's Road Central, opposite Pedder's Street.

MATTHEW J. D. STEPHENS. Hongkong, April 1, 1884.

#### Intimations.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

AR. SAMUEL J. GOWER has This IVI Day been appointed SECRETARY to the above Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors, E. R. BELILIQS, .Chairman.

Hongkong, April 1, 1884. HOP SHING & Co.,

ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS, COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON FOUNDERS, de., WEST POINT IRON WORKS,

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HOLME, RINGER & Co. Nagasaki, March, 1884.

#### Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

TOTICE is hereby given that in Accordance with Resolution No. 2 passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of Shareholders held at the City Hall on the 30th December, 1882, ALL SHARES NOT TAKEN UP, and the 1st, 2ND, 3nd and 4rn CALLS paid on or before the 30th June NEXT, will be disposed of by the Directors in such manner as in their discretion, they shall think best in the Interests of the

Corporation. By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager,

Hongkong, April 24, 1884 NOTICE.

Amoy, Wilson, Nicholls & Co. DULES OF THE HONGKONG

.-The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3 : Saturdays, 10

-The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repay-

ment of sums deposited in the above -Soms less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No

depositor may deposit more than \$1,500 in any one year. .—Deposits may be on behalf of relations, of trusts, &c., in addition to the deposi-

tor's own necount. .-Persons desirons of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by athixing clean ten-cont stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office When the form is presented with ten clean stamps the depositor will be credited one dollar.

3. - Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Cor-poration on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent, per annum interest. .- Deposits may be forwarded from the

Ports by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any values. 8.—Interest at the rate of 35 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.—Covers containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence as to the business of the Bank will, if marked On Hongkong Savings' Early Business, be forwarded Hongkong and China.

but the personal attendance of the that charged to Brindisi or Venice, viz., depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary. 2 .- All documents connected with the

business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stainp duty. For the HONGRONG & SHANGHAI BANKING

CORPORATION, T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Hougkong, April 25, 1884.

IIIII Reference to the above, BUSI-V NESS will be Commenced on the IST MAY, 1884.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager: Hongkong, April 25, 1884.



CONSULAR NOTIFICATION.

PERUVIAN CONSULATE. Hongkong, 15th April, 1884. CHIPPERS to the PORTS of PERU are required to Present to the Con-SULATE, at the time of shipment, an Invoice in triplicate, as follows :-

1. The name of the Shipper, Destination, and name of the Person to whom the Goods are Consigned, or, if they are to order, the Port of Destination and name of the Ship.

2. The Mark, Number, Description, Contents, and Gross Weight of each

3. The Total value of the Invoice without details respecting each package. Goods forwarded to any other Port, for transhipment to Pern, require certified Invoices and Manifest from this CONSULATE. J. GRANT SMITH,

Consul for Peru. WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,

22, PRAYA CENTRAL. MOTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS. MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, CORK JACKETS,

&c., &c., &c. Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

DOBT. SIM & Co.'s PATENT ANTI TO FOULING COMPOSITION as supplied to -Her Majesty's Ships; The P. &O. S. N. Co. The Douglas Steamship Company;

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## Intimations.

Hongkong, April 24, 1884.

Hongkong, April 19, 1884.

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> A. McIVER, Superintendent. Hougkong, March 13, 1884.

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THE Undersigned begs to notify the Public of Hongkong and the Coast Ports that he will RE-OPEN THE HOTEL DE L'UNIVERS

on the 1st March. The whole of the ROOMS have been NEWLY FURNISHED throughout, and there are ROOMS suitable for either MARRIED

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VERY BEST BRANDS. GENTLEMEN desirous of taking Meals, such as TIFFINS and DINNERS, can have ALL REQUISITE information by applying to CEORGE STAINFIELD,

Proprietor. Hongkong, February 28, 1884.

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THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTEP OF His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720. THE Undersigned having been appointed

Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows :---Marine Department. Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

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Hongkong, November 5, 1883. NOTICE. QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-

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Hongkong, May 19, 1881,

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No. 6, UPPER MOSQUE TERRACE. Possession from 1st May. Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

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Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, April 3, 1884.

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: & Co. Hongkong, April 26, 180.

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Apply to DORABJEE NOWROJEE, Victoria Hatel.

FREDERIC ALGAR. OLONIAL, NEWSPAPER & COMMIS

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Hongkong, January 23, 1884. WASHING BOOKS. (In English and Chancse.) XX7ASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, can now

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## Shipping.

## Steamers.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Co,'s Steamahip Djemnah,
Commandt, De Boisseuil
Baron, will be despatch-

I. MARTIN, Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

ed for SHANGHAI shortly after hor arrival

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship Commandant It TEMPLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europo.

I. MARTIN, -

Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 20, 1884.

### Shipping.

#### Steamers.

FOR BANGKOK (DIRECT.) SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer Captain - R. Jones, will be despatched for the above Port on WEDNESDAY, the 30th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG. Agents. Hongkong, April 26, 1884.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELROURNE, VIA SINGAPORE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS. LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND; through Passage Tickets granted to PORT MORESBY.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., · Agents. Hongkong, April 23, 1884. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.

CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Forts on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship Capitan Priam, was or despatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Hongkong, April 23, 1884. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

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The Co.'s Steamship Tel-machus,
Captain Jones, will be
lespatched as above on or a out the 30th Instant. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE:

Hongkong, April 23, 1884. UNION LINE. FOR YOKOHAMA VIA NAGASAKI.

The Steamship

RUSSELL & Co.

Captain Lowerer, will be Ports on THURSDAY, the 1st May, at For Freight or Passage, apply to

Hougkong, April 26, 1884 STEAM TO BOMEAY VIA STRAITS. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship will leave for the above

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Hongkong, April 25, 1884.

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#### Hongkong, April 12, 1884.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS. STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILLA, PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS.

OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA; BOMBAY. AN THURSDAY, the 1st May, 1884, at Nuon, the Company's S. S.

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Noon of 30th April, 1884.

the 30th April, 1884. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are re-

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Acting Agent. Hongkong, April 23, 1884,

I. MARTIN,

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F. E. FOSTER

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882. LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

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England, Franco, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers. RETURN PASSAGES. - Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San

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Freight will be received on beard until 4 p.m. on the 5th May. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m.,

For further information as to Passago

Hongkong, April 18, 1884. Insurances.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS of the above Company, are authorized to Insure against FIRE at Current Rates. GILMAN & Co.

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Mails. NOTICE.

NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS

YANGTSE, Commandant LORMIER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPROLE,

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

COMPANY. THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA

Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking

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COMPANY.

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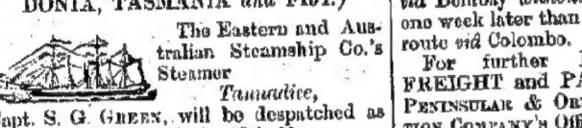
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To-day's Advertisements

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, NEW CALE-DONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.)



Capt. S. G. GREEN, will be despatched above on TUESDAY, the 13th May. Parcels (all of which must be sent to our Office) will be received up to 4 p.m. of the day previous to sailing. Contents and value of the Packages mus be declared.

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Hongkong, April 28, 1884.

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STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE. VIA INLAND SEA. (Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKO. HAMA and COREA.)

THE S.S. TAKACHIHO MARU, Capt. Nye, due here on or about the May, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 9th May, at 4 p.m. Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing. No Bill of Lading signed under \$2 Noon.

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized. Cargo and Passengers for Yokohama will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe, and for Corea at Nagasaki. For further Particulars, apply at the Company's Offices, Praya Central, Ground Floor of Messrs RUSSELL & Co.

H. J. H. TRIPP,

Agent.

Hongkong, April 28, 1984.



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10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct For further Particulars, regarding

FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the PENINSULAR & OBIENTAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages as required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

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A. MoIVER, Superintendent. Hongkong, April 28, 1884.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

N Interim BONUS of 15 % upon Con-A tributions for the Year 1883 has This Day been declared. WARRANTS may be had on application at the above Office on and after the 10th Proximo.

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ALICE MUIE, British barque, Captain E Henry. - Captain. BENVENUE, British steamer, Captain J.

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ARRIVALS.

April 26, 1884 :-Anton, German steamer, 396, F. W. Schrader, Hoihow April 25, General. WIELER & Co. April 27 :--

Namou, British steamer, 863, G. D. Pitman, Foochow April 23, Amoy 24, and

Ahrens, Swatow April 26, General. SIEMSSEN & Co.

Phra Chula Chom Klao, British steamer, 1,012, Lightwood, Bangkok April 21, Rice. Day of departure,--YUEN FAT HONG.

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Ping-on, British steamer, 574, A. Sumatru, British steamer, 1,406; T.

To-day's Advertisements. Fairlough, Lombay April 10, General. aghooner, from Whampon. Yang-tet, French steamer, 2, 293, Lormier, Shanghai April 26, Mails and General. —

Capt. McCastan, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, 30th Instant, at For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, April 28, 1884. DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY. Hailoong, for Amoy. LIMITED. Benarty, for Yokohama.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Co.'s Steamship Captain PITMAN, will be Cairngorm, for Saigon. despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 30th Inst., at

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, April 28, 1884. PUBLIC AUCTION

OLD CHINESE PORCELAINS AND CURIOS, AND JAPANESE WARE,

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 3rd May, 1884, at 2.15 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Peddar's Wharf Buildings,-

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TERMS OF SALE .- As customary. Catalogues will be issued.

G. R. LAMMERT,

Hongkong, April 28, 1884.

PEAK CHURCH. MEETING of SUBSCRIBERS to board, proceeded on voyage. In Foochow the above CHURCH will be held in the S. S. Hac-din. In Amoy: S. S. Donar, LABRARY of the City Hall, on TUESDAY, and Camorta, H. B. M. S. Swift, French the 6th day of May, 1884, at 4 p.m., for frigate Triomphante and D'Estaing. In the purpose of receiving the Report of the Swatow : S. S. Nanshan, Fushun, and Ger-Committee of Management, passing Accounts, and electing a New Committee for the ensuing year. The Hon. TREASURER will be glad to Receive, before the above

date, ALL UNPAID Subscriptions for the Year 1883-4. W. JENNINGS. Hon, Sec. & Treasurer. Hongkong, April 28, 1884.

Hongkong, April 26, 1884.

Meither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during heir stay in Hongkong Harbour:-

SPARTAN, American barque, Capt. J. P.

## SHIPPING.

Swatow 26, General, - Douglas Steamship Iphigenia, German steamer, 1,059,

Concordia, German barque, 651, C. Claussen, Newcastle (N.S.W.) March 2, Coal .-ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

April 28:-

Minin, Russian frigate, flagship of Ad miral Kopitoff, 6,000, Grenquist, Batavia. McCaalin, Haiphong April 22, Pakhoi 24 and Hollow 26, General - Russell & Co.

Minna Deutschmann, Gorman 3-masted

2.15 p.m .- Auction of Chinese Porcelains MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

DEPARTURES. April 27 :--

Welle, for Holhow, &c. Thales, for Swatow, &c. April 28 :--Medusa, for Singapore, &c.

CLEARED. Port Phillip, for Hankow. Anton, for Holhow. Duburg, for Saigon. Benchutha, for Chefoo. Bengal, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS

Per Anton, from Hoikow, 107 Chinese. Per Namoa, from Coast Ports, Mr B. D. de Souza, and 60 Chinese. Per Iphigenia, from Swatow, 9 Chinese. Per Phra Chula Chom Klao, from Bangkok, 107 Chinese. Per Marie Louise, from Rajang, 4 Chi-

Por Ping-on, from Haiphong, &c., 10

Per Sumatra, from Bombay, &c., 200 Per Yang-tie, from Shanghai: for Hongkong, Mr. E. Ebrahim, Mrs Oberg and child, Miss Calvety, Messrs Yong Kee and Leong Kee, and 3 Chinese; for Saigon, 1 French sailor; for Singapore, Mr Mgo Sik for Marseilles, Mr R. Andersen, Mr and Mrs Longs and 3 children, Mrs Von Mollendorf, 2 children and amah, Messrs L. An-

dersen, J. W. Stanford, and Henry Blone.

DEPARTED. Per Welle, for Hoihew, 30 Chinese. Per Thales, for Swatow, &c., 75 Chinese. Per Medusa, for Singapore, &co., 4 Europeans, and 629 Chinese. Per Hailoug, for Amoy, &c., 1 Euro-

poan, and 15 Chinese. TO DEPART. Per Cairngorm, from Saigon, 12 Chinese Per Port Phillip, for Hankow, 2 Euro-

Per Anton, for Hoihow, 30 Chinese.

Per Benchitha, for Chefoo, 14 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Namea reports: Left Foochow on 23rd, Amoy on 24th, and Swatow on the 26th inst., and experienced moderate N. and E. winds and fine weather to Amey; thence to Swatow light variable winds with dull and hazy weather. From Swatew to port, first part calms and variable winds, second part fresh and creasing breeze with much rain. On 27th inst. at 12.15 a.m., sighted a large junk TOTICE is hereby given, that a General bottom up, sent a boat to her, no one on

man gunboat Wolf. The German barque Marie Louise reports: Left Rajang on 6th April, light variable winds from the Eastward, latter

part fresh East wind and foggy. The British steamer Ping-on reports Left Haiphong on the 22nd April, arrived in Pakhoi on the 23rd, left again on the 24th, arrived in Hollow on the 25th, left again on the 26th, had fine weather with light S.E. breeze to St. John's Island; from there rain and thick weather with heavy lightning to port.

# POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:-For SAIGON. -Per Bentedi, at 0.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 29th inst., instead of as previously notified.

Per Kong Beng, at 11.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 30th inst-For STRAITS AND BOMBAY .-Per Bangalore, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday,

For BANGKOK .-

the 2nd May. For NAGASAKI AND KOBE (carrying Mails for Corea). -Per Takachiho Maru, at 3.30 p.m., on -Friday, the 9th May.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet Yangise' will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 1st May, with Mails to the United Kingdom, Europe, and places that the steamer Ghaze, from London and beyond, via Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, India (via Madras), the Australasian Colonies, Aden, Natal and the Cape,

Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET .-The United States Mail Packet City of Ric de Janeiro, will be despatched on TUES-DAY, the 6th May, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows ;--2.15 P.M. Registry ceases.

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Corres-

pondence may be posted on board the

Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra

Postage until the time of departure. HOURS OF CLOSING THE FRENCH MAIL The following hours are observed in closing

Packet :--. Day before departure (or Saturday if the departure be on Monday),—
5 P.M.—Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes, except the open out of Office hours.

A.M. -Post Office opons. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases. A.M. - Mails closed, except for Late

Late Fee of 10 cents until 11.30 A.M. - When the Post Office closes

on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 cents until time of

General Memoranda. WEDNESDAY, April 30:4 p.m.—Meeting of Legislative Council. SATURDAY, May 3:-

and Curios, &c., at Mr G. R. Lammert's. Tuesday, May 6:—
4 p.m.—Meeting of Subscribers of Peak
Church in the Library of the City Hall.

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Hongkong, June 1, 1876. PASSENGERS STRIVING in Hongkong, or any other persons who may desire to consult the files of local, China, Japan, American, English, Indian or Australian newspapers, are invited to call at the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over

reference. The publication of this issue commence at 7.30 p.m.

sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies,

from these countries, are now filed for

## The China Itail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 28, 1884.

TELEGRAMS.

THE WAR IN THE BOUDAN. LONDON, April 26. Osman Digna and his followers are reported within seven miles of Suakim. The Briton 14 guns, corvetto, and the Ranger,

are prepared to act in case of emergency. The British Government states in reply to the request of the Egyptian Government for aid in the expedition to Berber that such assistance is impossible at present and will not probably be practicable in less time than four months hence.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

PASSED CANAL :- San Publo, March-30 Ning-chow, April 7; Glengarry, and Glenorchy, April 17. The next American Mais, per the P. M. S. S. Co.'s str. City of Rio de Janeiro, with San Francisco mails to the 29th ultimo, left Yokohama on 23rd inst. at daylight. She may therefore be ex-

pected to arrive here on or about Tuesday, the 29th inst. next FRENCH MAIL, per the M. and deceased had never returned. This Co.'s S. S. Djemnah, left Singapore on on the 27th instant, at 4 p.m., and buy's testimony would no doubt be valumay be expected to arrive here on or lable; but he has left the place, and cannot

about Sunday, the 4th May. The next direct steamers, with the Indian mail, left Calcutta on the morning of

the 19th April. The S. S. Flintshire left Singapore for this port on the 25th instant. The S. S. Priam left Singapore for this port on the 25th instant. The S. S. Glenaron left Singapore for this

The S. S. Tannadice left Port Darwin for this port on the 26th instant. The S. S. Ghazee left Saigon for this port on the 27th instant.

port on the 26th instant.

Dock Movements :-

the 7th May.

Kongbeng will leave Kowloon Dock to-morrow. Port Philip will leave Aberdeen Dock to-morrow.

Messas Adamson, Bell & Co. inform us

Antwerp, left Saigon yesterday for Hong-THE Eastern and Australian Steamship Company's S. S. Tannadice left Port Darfollowing sentence occurs :- " The French

win on the 26th instant, and is due here on

THE M. M. steamer Djemnah, with the next French and Australian mails, left Singapore for Salgon and Hongkong on Sunday, the 27th instant, at 4 p.m.

THE Russian frigate Minin, flagship of Ad-

miral Kopitoff, arrived here this morning, and was saluted with the usual salvo from the port, the Victor Emanuel and the foreign men-of war in the harbour. THE French cruiser Kersaint arrived Singapore from the China station on the information, and are not in a position to

Mails, &c., by the French Contract 18th April, and, having coaled, left for decide upon the genuineness of the story.

Cherbourg. This withdrawal of a cruiser

from the Far East has not a very warlike are not improving, great anxiety being felt appearance. NIGHT Box, which is always THE United States frigate Richmond arrived at Singapore from Hongkong on the M. W. de Ponvielle writes to Nature :the 18th April, to meet her relief, the "I took the liberty of suggesting in one of A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Trenton.—The Italian covette Caracciolo the last issues of the Ville de Paris a

11.10 A.M.-Letters may be posted with Mr. A. R. Colquhoun, Correspondent of supported by iron feet, and not nailed to the Times, arrived in Shanghai on the 20th April from Foochow, and was to leave im- proper construction were placed on each 11.40 L.M.-Late Letters may be posted mediately for the River ports. Mr. Colquhoun intends visiting Peking on his return to Shanghai,

On the 21st April, His Excellency Sir Harry Parkos, accompanied by Messrs. Aston and Hillier, left Shanghai in the Albatross for Woosung, where the party went on board the Cleopatra, which sailed at noon for Corea. . The Albatross then went

up the Yangtazo. THE French are still sending out reinforcements to Tonquin. On the 20th April, the transport Nive arrived at Singapore, cavoyage to Haiphong, with troops, stores, arms and munitions. Other reinforcements were to follow on board the Correze and the Oise, and two new gunboats are also on their way out.

WE have noticed that the sentences recently passed by the present magistrates at the Police Court, in cases of larceny, illegally entering houses, pecket picking, &c., have been unusually lenient to the prisoners, and would probably before long produce bad results among the criminal class in the Colony. To-day, however, from our Police reports, we note a considerable change in this respect, and one which we fully believe to be both requisite and beneficial, though rather startling.

Some further evidence was taken this afternoon in the inquest which is being hald on the body of the barber who was murdered at British Kowloon on the night of the 16th instant. A shopkeeper named La Alum, in whose house the first of the two prisoners now arrested used to live. stated that the first prisoner, Apong, went out on the evening of the 16th instant, the night of the murder, and did not return until the afternoon of the next day, when he told the witness and his wife to tell any one who came looking for him that he was not there. Inspector Donald Thomson, who is in charge of the case, said in evidence, that after he had taken the first prisoner into gaol, the latter called him back and said : "I did not kill the man ; it was two barbers in Hung Hom, named Alung and Ashing, who did it. I saw them strike deceased on the head with an iron bar.' In consequence of this, witness caused Ashing, or Asing, to be arrested. Prisoner afterwards pointed him out as one of the barbors whom he accused from among nine prisoners arranged beside each other in gaol. Sergeant Lau Shui also gave evidonce as to the arrest of the second prisoner, and also as regards the first prisoner's statement to Inspector Thomson. This witness said that the first prisoner stated that 'not only myself but two others were there." He also stated that the two berbers were employed in the same shop as the deceased had been; and that the people in the village said the first and second prisoner, and Alung, the barber who had bolted, had been watching for an opportunity to kill deceased for a long time. Inspector Thomson stated he was unable to produce any further evidence; and he did not think he would be able to get any more. A boy, named Ow Awa, was known to have called deceased out of the house on some pretext on the night of the murder;

be traced. RETURN of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending 27th April, 1884 :-

Chinese. European. 152 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday. 275 Saturday, Sunday Sunday, 1,700 Totals 174 Grand total 1,880.

Mr W. H. Forbes has been recognised as Mosser will leave Cosmopolitan Dock in charge of the Swedish and Norwegian Consulate during the absence of Mr. C. V. Smith.-Also that Sir George Phillippo, Chief Justice, has been granted three months' vacation leave, and that Mr Justice Russell has been appointed Acting Chief Justice; and also that Mr C. E. Holworthy has been appointed clerk of the Puisne A PRIVATE letter was received yesterday

(April 24th) from Peking, in which the

demand for an indemnity will be scornfully

rejected." We believe that the source of

this is good, and that the statement reflects

Ir is notified in the Government Gazette that

the openly-expressed views of those in a position to know. Whether the policy thus avowed will be persisted in when the time comes to put it into operation is of course another matter. - N.-C. Daily News. A RUMOUR was current in Shanghai on the 24th April that the Shansi bankers had received news of the suicide of His Imperial Highness Prince Kung. We immediately instituted enquiries, with the result that all knowledge of any such event was denied by the officials, but emphatically confirmed by the native bankers. We have no further

table. The charge for keeping should be made heavier to diminish the number of parcels, and the right of opening optional

There is, however, nothing impossible in it.

From other sources we learn that matters

ments of the French fleet N.-C. D. News.

was to leave Singapore on the 19th April scheme for discovering clock-work in parcels deposited in luggage-rooms. All the lug-gage should be laid flat on wooden tables them; the least noise within the parcels would be made audible if a microphone of with the railway companies,"

crusade in the Mauritius is one calculated to find favour in the newspapers there, all of which are, we believe, owned or edited by natives, yet there are signs that his policy will not ultimately meet with the unanimous approval of the press in the One of the most responsible journals in St. Louis has already commenced to criticise in a somewhat disparaging tone the policy inaugurated by our ex-Governor in his new sphere. Merchants and Planters' Gazette, of the 28th February, thus refers to one of Sir John Pope Honnessy's 'Mauritius for the

Mauritians' speeches :-

and India, as well as elsewhere. trustworthy. That such a sentiment should | candle-powder. have been expressed and even acted up to our Governor can understand; but he cors :- Captain, R. L. Phythian; Lieutdeplores the fact of its having been recorded. Commander, R. B. Bradford ; Captain, H. But what is meant by the term English- A. Bartlett, U. S. M. C.; Lieutenaut L. simple? or does it not mean men of many Walker, W. J. Swinburne, A. G. Berry. nationalities forming that large category H. W. Schaefer, C. G. Calkins, M. L. Wood, one stock they are now divided into five -British Subjects? We raise the point, F. W. Coffin; Ensigns, G. C. Foulk, C. C. because we heard a gentleman insisting the Goor, A. Gleaves, C. N. Atwater, J. H. other day that there have been few Eng- Holcombe, E. H. Tillman, F. W. Bodwen; lishmen appointed to important posts in Chief Engineer, J. Trilley, Mid-Inspector, (3) 朱鹤, (4) 產谷, and (5) 日利. Mauritius, and that the "hard bargains," E. S. Bogert; Paymaster, G. A. Eyon; as a rule, were not English. There is Chaplain, W. O. Holway; P. Assistant another bearing of the question to which Engineers, J. S. D. Bootwick, H. T. we might refer. It will we think be con- Cleaver : P. Asst. Surgeon, N. M. Ferebee ceded that the number of appointments | Asst. Surgeon, H. B. Scott; Asst. Engineer to positions under government, filled by E. R. Freeman; 12 Naval Cadets, Corean natives of Mauritius, is far greater in pro- Embassy, Prince Min Young, I. K Minisportion then those open to the sons of ter. Son Kwang Pum, Secretary, Pyon See, the soil in the neighbouring French colony Attache. of Rennion. We might go much further. We might declare that the liberality of the British government in this respect, as 're- Sin Joseph Fayrer, President of the Megards Mauritius, is far greater then obtains | dieal Society, and the first authority in the generally in Crown Colonies, and that the general policy of our imperial government upon this voxed question will compare in a new capacity, with an infallble receipt favorably with that pursued by the French. for soothing fretful children to sleep. the Spanish or the Dutch. This, after all, accompanying sketch of the necessary apis one of the many questions in regard to paratus, with a baby in situ, is taken from which much might be urged from two on posite points of view. We are glad to note layan village the native baby is placed in a that Sir John Pope Hennessy paid a woll- trough, into which there trickles a constant merited compliment to the liberal policy of stream of water. This falling upon the our imperial government in appointing a vertex of the cranium induces sleep. Mauritian to the post of Chief Justice of Children lie in their troughs for hours our Supreme Court.

UPWARDS of 400 clergymen have now signed a declaration in favour of an Aftirm-The names include Dean Plumptre, Archdeacon Cheetham, Canon David J. Vaughan, the Rev. H. Scott Holland, Dr Abbott, the Hon, and Rev. W. H. Freemantle, and the Rev. C. H. Turner, Rector of St. Georgo's in the East.

THE news of a remarkable natural pheno-

menon is reported from Bona, in Algeria. An isolated mountain, the Dshobel Naibo, 800 feet high, is sinking into the earth. Round its foot there is a deep hollow, and | answer to the sin and scandal of apread before long the mountain will disappear. The district of Bona has once before wit- letters, were, after proof had been led there is nothing to be found concerning the | that the two ladies. formation of the lake, it is supposed that

THE Italian Government continues to de. vote its energies to the strengthening of its navy. Towards the end of this year two ironciads—the Francesco Morosini at Ve nice, and the Huggiero di Lauri at Castellamare—will be ready to launch. soon as this is done other two first-class ships of war of the type of the Italia will be put on the stocks. There are still in course of construction at Venice the Stronand at Castellamare the Etwe, torpedo ram, 90 metres in length.

THE council of the Cremation Society of England purchased, in the year 1878, a freeespecially adapted by position for the purpose; and erected thereon a building, with an apparatus of the most approved kind, for effecting cremation of the dead. They have issued a circular stating that the so- thing goes ou. ciety felt it a duty to indicate those safeguards which they deem it essential to associatewith the proceedings in order to provent the destruction of a body which may have met death by unfair means. The following, therefore, are the conditions on which the omployment of the crematorium will alone be permitted by the council :-

An application in writing must be made to the friends or executors of the deceased -unless it has been made by the deceased person himself during life-stating that it was the wish of the deceased to be cremated after death. 2. A certificate must be sent in by one qualified medical man at least, who attended the deceased until the time of death, unhesitatingly stating that the cause of death was natural, and what that cause was. '3. If no medical man attended during the illness, an autopsy must be made by a medical officer appointed by the society, or no cremation can take place,

Ds. Shapira, whose name will be remembered in connection with the offering for sale in England of an alleged manuscript of a portion of the Old Testsment, has commit ted suicide in Rotterdam. After the complete exposure of the affair (the Hague correspondent of the Standard says) -a brief examination of the manuscript by the authorities of the British Museum having sufficed to show that the parchment for flooded if branch rivers are opened to the which Shapira demanded £1,000,000 was a north, but 清 日 川 shews that the only clumsy forgery-he came to Helland, living successively in Amsterdam and Bloemendaal and finally in Rotterdam, where he took B part of its flow into the 注题 and 以项 room in an hotel a fortnight since. The at- rivers, each of which, he calculates, will tendants having noticed some days ago that Dr. Shapira did not make his appearance, the door of his room was forced open by the it confined to Shan Tung. The Governor police, and his dead body was found lying of Shan Tung disapproves of the E on the floor, beside it being a six-climbered revolver, a shot from which had penetratod his brain. In the room were discovered | which could never be accomplished without several cards bearing the addresses of book- forced labour, and would only lead to forand Jerusalem, and in a trunk were several ther corruption by mandarins anxious to sellers and antiquarian agents in London English and Hebrew manuscripts, pam- escape responsibility. He maintains that phlets, etc. One letter was also found the E !! is the most feasible plan, that giving unmistakeable evidence of mental derangement. Dr. Shapira's conduct had is, repairs as urgently required with only been very strange for some time, and the one year's guarantee,

ALTHOUGH Sir John Pope Hennessy's new | Schiedam police arrested him recently on | suspicion of insanity. He was a naturalized Gorman, and had his home in Jerusalem, where his wife and child are living.

THE United States frigate Trenton, Captain R. L. Phythian, arrived at Singapore on the 19th April last from Colombo. - She has on board Prince Ming Yong Ik (Minister), Toh Kwang Kurn (Secretary), United States She will remain in Singapere for about five days and will then sail her way to Corea. After landing the Corean embassy at their home, she will procoed to Yokohama and become the flagship of the Asiatic Squadron, Rear Admiral John Lee Davis Commanding. Trenton left New York on the Lat Decem-If His Excellency has been correctly re- ber, called at Gibraltar, Marseilles, Naples, ported, his utterances regarding the work- Port Said, Suez and Aden. From Maying of the law-ordinance 10 of 1881. | seilles the Prince visited London and Paris, framed for the more adequate protection of | and from Naples he went to Rome. The our woods and forests, are calculated to Trenton is frigate built, 272 feet long create false impressions, both in England and 48 feet beam, and her displacement is solves have imitated the Chinese in borrow-3,800 tons. She carries a battery of ton His Excellency next alluded to the gen- 8-inch rifled guns and four Hotchkiss guns. practice of filling the posts of She is manned by 39 officers, 376 men, heads of departments with Englishmen, 54 marines and 16 bandsmen, and is lightand excluding therefrom Mauritians, on | cd throughout with the Edison light and plea that Englishmen are more has two electric search lights of 20,000

The following are the names of the offi-Does it mean Englishmen pure and | Karmany, U. S. M. C.; Lieutenants, Asa

> world about snake poison, has come forward the Medical Times. In nearly every Himaasleep while their mothers go about their work. We fear Sir Joseph Fayter's plan would be only too successful in this country. After a day or two's exposure in the water trough the child would probably sleep the sleep that knows no waking. The system may work in India, but it cannot be guaranteed as safe for home application.

Ar the close of the service in the old church of Arbroath, Scotland, on March 16, the Rev. Gordon J. Murray, assistant minister of the parish, read a judgment of the kirk session, to the effect that two ladies, members of the congregation, having been summoned to appear before the kirk session to ing infamous falsehoods and malicious nessed a similar event; the Lake Fezzara, | unanimously found guilty of the same, of more than 12,000 hectares, did not exist and were suspended from the commuin the time of the Romans. St. Augustin | nion for twolve months from March 12 who lived at Bona, described the whole dis- 1881, and thereafter until they should appear trict without once mentioning the lake, and | before the kirk session and have the said sin researches in 1870 have resulted in the dis- | and scandal removed. It was further stated covery of the ruins of a Roman town at the that the public intination of the sentence addresses were given in the public intimait has existed only for about a thousand tion read from the pulpit, deny the charge brought against them. Both were present throughout the service and while the kirk session's sentence against them was being

#### CHINESE NOTES.

It appears that the Hangehow Silk Con , missioner gets Tls. 1000 a month for expenses in addition to his salary. The Nanking man does not get this, but makes a informed him that in future 70 per cent. onl would be paid upon his accounts, but ant it appeared that at 1.30 a.m., on the speaker, a lady of great talent [1], and of having pointed out the more favourable position of his Hangehow colleague, the hold site at St. John's, Woking, in Surroy, Nauking man has induced the Emperor to explicitly authorise his 'squeezing' as before. It is hopeless to look forward to reform in Chinese finance whilst this sort of

> The barbarous system of punishing children for the offences of their parents still exists in China. In a recent murder case in Chékiang, where an escaped criminal murdered three of his relatives in revenge, including a senior, the wife and son have to suffer too [滑例紙坐], notwithstand. ing the slicing in pieces of the husband and father, and their own innocence. The wife is temporarily respited whilst enceinte.

Chu-ko Liang invented a system of tactics called 八 間 圖. As Chinese military operations are still conducted on ancient principles, and are often successful, it would be well for European generals to have a record of the outlines of Han Sin's and K'ung ming's strategy.

The Yellow River is still exercising the minds of Chinese statesmen. The Vicercy Tso wishes to send it back to 雲梯。 or the in channel. The Viceroy Li is afraid of Chih Li and the capital being way to make a good job of it is to direct relieve it of two feet of water, and still keep or 'guaranteed for three years' proposal,

described by Mr Stent on page 84 of the 7th Volume of the China Review, and alluded to by Mr Mayors' [Manual No. 88] as being possibly wheel-barrows, are thus described in the P'ci-wdn Yun-fu; They had square hard labour. bellies, curved heads, one horn, four feet their heads entered their necks, and their and Pron Sin (attache), who were part of a tongues were placed [? [] in the belly. special Corean embassy recently sent to the They could hold a great deal, but not walk for Hongkong and perhaps Nagasaki, on but not for miscellaneous use.' From this

The mechanical cattle [木牛流 ]]

much. They were suitable forgreat occasions it would seem that they were simply boxes, probably standing on legs tipped with wheels or castors. The grain was probably poured in at the 'neck,' and allowed to run out by the 'stomach' by the process of pulling a leather thong or valve. The English words saw-horse, clothes-horse iron-cow, &c., are examples how we ouring horse-power for mechanical appliances. K'ung-Ming also invented a new cross-bow

The Viceroy of Sz chinan gives some interesting details regarding the independent [各不相下] Tibitan tribes [十司 near Ta-taien Lu, some of whom we saw in Peking in the year 1870. Originally all of surnames, and intermarry with each other. The surnames are (1) 城 書, (2) 孔 撒, There has just been a petty civil war, owing to a dispute as to which of two girls should marry a young chief, and the Chinese authorities have settled the dispute by making the earliest engaged the wife, and the other the concubine. From the expression 夷字甘結 it appears that they are educated-probably in Tibotan character.

The Chinese (who claim to have had everything) had even tight lacing before we had; thus the King of Ch'u [藏土區] was so fond of small waists [ ] aij | mark, "She is the most useful creature that half the palace ladies died of starvation. There was a saying in the time of (a.d. 80) which satirised the fashions of the day 'If tall chignons are fashionable at the capital, the country people will wear | house in Cromwell Road where the said them a foot high: if broad eyebrows are the rage, the country folk will have them ("Monaigner Baliol") as one who half way across the brow; if silks are the | (pears to go in for the bon diable fashion, the country people will wear nothing else at all.'

Police Intelligence. (B fore E. Mackean Esq., Acting Police Magistrate). Monday, April 28.

Lum Akai, hawker, appeared on remand charged with stealing a box of clothing and two deposit receipts for \$200 and \$300 res pectively, the property of John Maxwell, of the Naval Yard Police, and Wong Aying,

Evidence was given by Mr S. C. Addis. clerk in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, to the effect that on Friday last, Sercant Maxwell called at the Bank and informed him that two deposit receipts had replied someone class. 'I am sorry to say the 15th of April. Her Majesty and Princess | the shape of which it readily adapts itself been stolen. On the following day the I know her.' [What same person, we Beatrice will, it is believed, remain in Ger- the box is then closed leaving one end prisoner called with one of the receipts for payment, and not being able to give an explanation of how the receipt came into his possession, was arrested.

This evidence was corroborated by a shroff at the Bank, to whom the defendant had brought the deposit receipt for payment, and after some further evidence had been given by Wong Aying, who described herself as wife of Sergt. Maxwell, the prisoner was committed for trial at the Supremo Court.

ILLEGALLY ENTERING A HOUSE. Li Ping, a hawker, was charged with attempting to enter the house of a widow profit by overcharges. The Board recently named Ng Asee with intent to commit a

folony, on the 27th inat. From the evidence given by the complain-27th inst., when complainant was in bed in her room on the first floor of No. 77, Hollywood Road, she heard a noise as of someone opening the door. She got up and saw defendant on the verandal. Complainant called out thief and defendant ran away and where he was caught by a constable.

matches upon bim against the prisoner, and he was now senwith hard labour.

stealing a jacket, value 80 cents, the proper- fiendish degree, while her diatribes against ty of Wong a Ko, a widow. Complainant | society are levelled simply because society was in the theatre at Yau-ma-ti at 2 p.m. | will not have such sweet innocence at on the 25th instant, and took off her jacket any price. and laid it down by her side. Defendant | Florentine people are terribly against came up and snatched up the jacket and her, said Lady Horton. 'I have always have disappeared from the surface of the ran away to a pawnshop with it. A boy heard the same thing from any of who saw the defendant running away iden- you that I have met in London, though tified him, and the defendant, who had one I feel sure you must be quite right previous conviction against him, was sen- [Charming person!] All her books give tenced to six months' hard labour.

memorandum to be stamped.

A fined of 85 was imposed. The decision in this case will be appealed (Before A. G. Wise, Esq.)

Tang Asang, a ricepounder, was caught on the twoon decks of the S. S. Meibera in the act of breaking open a box with a chisel, and was sent to gaol for three weeks

Wong Asing, an old gool bird, was found on the top floor of 143 Queen's Road West, at 5 o'clock in the evening, supposed for the purpose of committing a felony, room below was a silversmith's shop. Defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour as a rogue and vagabund.

POCKET PICKING. Chun Ayan, a hawker, was convicted of picking the pocket of one Chan Kwan Hing. of \$1.20 cents, on the 26th inst. Defendant denied the charge but ad-

mitted a previous conviction, and was sen-

enced to six months' hard labour.

A SWEET THING IN FICTION 'Fair Helen' is a new novel in three rolumes, by a Mr William Graham, who states he is also the author of 'Neath Southern Skies, " 'Two Fancies, ' etc. is one of the most silly productions that was ever issued from the press. A man who sits down to write a three volume Dutch and the Spaniards were not so novel is generally supposed to possess a favourably regardo, because of the bad certain amount of literary ability, or to be something botter than an empty-headed island. In conclusion, Mr Cobb paid a ham's novel is, however, a work that any school boy over fifteen years of ago, and possessing average intelligence, would be salamed to own. We presume the book is published at the author's expense and on his own responsibility,—an arrangement which accounts for much trash being sent out from the printing press to the world. Life thus criticises this remarkable addition to current literature :-If, as the author alleges, this story be the great value of Borneo as a coaling

indeed a true one, we do not envy the station for our steamers trading with China of the ladies whom, with singular infelicity, he has singled out for mention, beginning with Mrs. "Langford," who is made to rethat God over made, in my opinion, should think He must have felt proud of Himself when He had done that." Elsowhere, a chapter is quaintly headed . "The Greek Play; or, Greeks and their Freaks"-which will be much appreciated at the hospitable Greek play was performed. Monaigner Capel is referred to in the third volume style of thing. Monsignor comes into a drawing-room full of ladies with much the same what one might call jounty jollity that he would enter (sic) a billiard-room full of subalteros. He is a big, portly man, ably fond of young ladies, fond of all ladies, in fact, but of young ladies in particular. from the flames of purgatory. So much

more interesting, you know, than skinny, dried up old women, or uninteresting men. There is more of this vulgarity in reference to Monsignor Capel, but we have quoted would here ask, would ever dream of making such an imbocile remark ! 'She has been over here for some time, you know, and just gone back to Florence, after a stay of a month here. She made a most heroic attempt to get into society this time, but, alas! without avail. She is no more fortunate there (sic). People don't seem t believe quite in that speakers! Funcy. you can, anyone speaking of a lady in such [ strain as this : | " I was never so disqueste with anyone in my life as I was with her when I met her other day at the Nortons, th only people who have a ything to do with her That constant painful straining after wit, or which she has not a jot, is most wearisome and disgusting.' And her manners, understand, are atrocious, said Lady 'Her manners,' returned the Horton. somewhat incisive tongue [evidently], ' are, Take imagines, her strong point; to me they appear more like the manners of an under-

bred nursery governess than anything Now, we venture to say that nothing got on to the verandah of the next house, more atrociously vulgar and libellous than this has ever been penned of a lady-one, When captured by the constable, defend- too, whose undoubted genius entitles her ant had some keys, a knife and a box of to at least the respect of all other authors. Our literary deifformier, however, has not Four previous convictions were proved vet thrown sufficient mud at "Onida," he continues! " She is altogether too tenced to be imprisoned for six months fond of men with forms like the Apollo Belvidere, and eyes like the dying-Christ, and she has no knowledge whatever of respectable society and is utterly devoid of all Lau a Pun, a seaman, was charged with sense of humour, and malicious to a 'You Roman and

one the idea of an eminently disagreeable woman,' 'Oh, the woman is detestable! replied Mrs Vereker. . She wishes to palm at Guildhall, Mr Innes presiding. - Reply- too soon. Sometimes the two operations herself off on the world as an injured inno- ing to Mr Tickle, who asked if cremation of printing and folding are combined in mons in which he was charged by the Hon, cent, who is quite a waif and a stray in this as a mode of burial would be safer than one and the same machine. This is the A. Lister, collector of the Stamp Revenue, cold world. In point of fact, she is simply the present mode, and would be a preven- case with the Scott printing machine, with having unlawfully drawn, executed and a lond, vulgar woman, to say the least of it; tive of contagious disease. Dr Sedgwick made at Plainfield, N.J. This, the last signed two brokers' notes on unstamped no better than she ought to be; ill-dressed to Saunders, the medical officer of health for outcome of American genius in the conpaper contrary to Ordinance No 12 of 1866. a degree, ill-mannered, bad tempered, and I the City, stated that cremation was the struction of rotary printing presses, The Collector of the Stamp Revenue spiteful. However, the woman is utterly least objectionable of all known methods the invention of Walter Scott. said :- On the 17th instant, the defendant beneath contempt, an we never even no- for the disposal of the dead. Cremation of the simplest in construction, the most presented two brokers' notes at the Stamp tice her. . . . As a matter of fact, she bodies can be effected without nuisance or compact, makes the least noise running, and Office with a request that they might be knows nothing whatever of society, having injury to health. Cremation would be a prints the most rapidly of them all, throwing stamped after execution without penalty, never been received in either London or Italy. boon to mankind if guarded by restrictions off 35,000 printed single sheets an hour, As a remission of penalty is only provided 'Oh, yes; in London, of course, it used which would prevent the concealment of more than 5 0 a minute, and delivering for when the omission is accidental or in- to be a regular joke,' said Lady Horton. foul play, and such restrictions could be themfolded, counted, and the count register. advertent I impounded the notes. I had The men in the clubs used to joke about satisfactorily formulated. The practice of ed. It is 15 feet long by 5 feet wide and 43 reason to believe defendant was making a the invitations she sent round, requesting cremation would diminish the risk of infec- . et high. As we stood beside one of these the honour [sic] of their company, and in | tion of the living from the dead; remove a | machines upon a certain morning not long Defendant said :- I called on the Stamp the corner "cigarettes permis," which was prolific source of the pollution of under- since in the office of the New York Ftar. office on the 5th instant and asked the entirely nunecessary, as no ladies ever ac- ground water supplies, and help to stamp and saw it in operation, witnessed the clerk if I could see Mr Lister as I had a cepted her invitations, and such mon as did out certain epitouties which derive their marvellous rapidity with which it threw off doubt and wished Mr Lister to decide. The so never took the trouble of waiting for origin from the special barilli or bacteria the printed sheets, folded ready for delivery clerk asked what the doubt was. I told permission to smoke." [Such men as the generated from putrescent animal sub-him; and he said that as it was mail day I author of "Fair Helen," presumedly.] stances. Cremation completely destroys The thing had for us a fascination which had better not trouble Mr Lister but to Such is the pleasant tone which pervades all organized matter, and every vestige of held us chained to the spot; and it was only come next day. Next day the clerk told this book. This statement that "Ouida" the presence of poisons derived from the whole of their morning edition me a similar case had been de aided by Mr | was " never received either in London or | vegetable kingdom is lost during the burn- | had been worked off and the machine came Lister; and that to save further trouble I Italy" is a glaring and disgreeful untruth, ing tissues. The most potent of these are to a stop that the spell was broken. Though should pay a penalty and give up the for anyone who knows Italian society is morphia, struchnine, brucia, nicotin, answering all the requirements of ordinary aware that "Ouida" was a constant visitor | neonita, digitalis, conium, atropia, in ad- | newspapers, it has until quite recently been The Collector pressed for a substantial at Sir Augustus and Lady Paget's when dition to which prussic acid and other deemed impossible to adapt the web printing they were at the Embassy. A greater libel compounds of cyanogen, oxalac acid, car machines to the tiner work of illustrated

slanders entitled "Fair Helen."

Mr B. Francis Cobb road a paper at the would certainly be vastly lessened; thus been claimed by the Germans, but it is rooms of the Society of Arts on March 18, preenic, mercury, and zine would disappear | really due to an American, Mr. H. J. descriptive of North Borneo. Admiral by volatalisation and decomposition, whilst Howitt, a printer of New York City. Ryder presided. Mr Cobb, having men-lead, barium, chromium, and copper, &c., ioned that Borneo was the largest island would remain. Cremation should only be n the world save Australia, and that its permitted on proof that the deceased person history (like that of Australia) was modern, had consented to it during his lifetime, proceeded to describe the geographical posi-, or in the case of children; that it took place tion of the island, the greater part of which by the desire of the parents. In addition now belonge I to the Dutch. That portion to the usual certificate of the cause of of the island known as British Borneo was, death a post-mortem examination and chehe said, held under the charter of the mical analysis of the viscera should be British North Borneo, Company, and was a insisted upon by the State, performed by a territory comprising 25,000 square miles, public functionary unconnected with the This, the lecturer considered, was the most deceased or the family medical attendant. interesting portion of the whole island, con- A coroner's inquest should be held after taining, as it does, the best harbours, the the post-mortem examination. -Mr Tickle most fertile soil, and the richest in natural then gave notice that at the next meeting productions—such as birds' nests, camphor, 'he would move that it be referred to a guttapercha, sago, &c., besides valuable Select Committee to consider and report minerals. The agents and residents of the whether it was not advisable that a proper company during the two years that had crematorium should be erected at Ilford elapsed since the Government granted the Cemetery that the public might adopt that charter had busied themselves in acquiring : mode of sepulture if they so wished it. the confidence of the natives and establishing the elements of civilised government, Their success was, the lecturer said, remarkable; their presence was everywhere welcomed; and their authority gladly admitted, and Mr Treacher, who subsequently became governor of the new colony under the company, in his last official report issued in 1882, had stated that there had been a rapid development in the resources of the country. The natives were particularly cordial with Englishmen, but the reputation they had gained in connection with their occupation of other parts of the high tribute to the patient moral courage peace, order, and civilised rule where death, treachery, murder, and slavery only

writer his feelings when confronted by any and Australia, the meeting concluded with the usual votes of thanks. is better. Passengers at Port Victoria, Sometimes instead of benting with brushes, which is nearly opposite Sheerness, embark | a blanket is thrown over the paper as it lies with a jolly, unctuous face. He is remark- at any tide from the pier which has been upon the form, and the whole put in constructed by the South Eastern Com- a press, by means of which the same result pany. From Port Victoria her Majesty is reached; the press being awarmed by He liked saving loving girls and Princess Beatrice will cross the North jets of gas in order to accelerate Sea in the Osborne to Flushing, which will the drying of the matrix. The whole be made on the following day, and whence operation requires but a few minutes, while they proceed about half-past ten o'clock in by the processes employed in book sterebtythe evening, by special train to Darmstadt, ping as many hours would be necessary, where the Royal travellers arrive on the With daily newspapers, the whole matter sufficient of it to show Mr Grabain's out- 9th of April. The Queen and Princess is a question of time; time is: the main | Shanghai 30.01 56.072 | SSW rageously bad taste. The chapter wherein Beatrice while staying at Darmstadt will factor in the problem, everything hinges the eminent cleric is thur weakly and snob- reside at the Palace of the Grand Doke of upon that. The matrix when completed is bishly held up to ridicule is eked out by a Hesse, and will attend the marriage of simply a sheet of pasteboard the size of a gross libel on a lady-" Onida" to wit, who Princess Victoria (daughter of his Grand newspaper page, one side of which presents a strong E Breeze, but is now falling partiis dragged in solely to be abased by the Ducal Highness and the late Princess Alice) the reading matter of a page, engraved, as cularly in the North. Gradients indicate spiteful-tongued author. "Have you seen | and Prince Louis of Battenburg, which will it were, in integlio." This is laid, face up- moderate NE Winds. The Temperature Mdile. de Fontenoy l'and some one. 'Yes,' take place at Darmstadt on Easter Tuesday, word, in a semicircular iron casting box, to and Humidity have fallen. many about a fortnight, and are expected. to return to England before the close of

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sued Sir Rutherford Alcock pointed out

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Liggins also took part in the discussion.

the latter regretting the inert conduct of

our Government with regard to colonial

THE WITHDRAWAL OF THE SEA INTO THE EARTH'S INTERIOR. There is good reason for believing, with Saemann, Le Mennier, Frankland, and Sterry Hunt, that in the remote future of the earth the waters of the sea will be withdrawn into her interior. The process of withdrawal is in reality taking place even now. Enter any cavern, such as Kent's Hole in Devonshire, on the driest and hot test day, or even after weeks of dry weather, and you shall find the roof wet with the waters which have been slowly making their way from the surface, where they fell in the form of rain mentles before. Throughout the whole crust of the earth except in a few spots where rain never falls the same process is going on all the time. Only a portion of the water, which thus fulls on the earth, over returns to the surface in the form of springs. Artesian wells show how slowly some of the strata of the earth permit water which has thus reached them to pass through'; but they show also how large a portion of the earth's waters are already beneath the surface. may well be that the amount actually withdrawn from the sea surface in this way. and not restored, does not produce a change of level of more than a foot in a thousand years. Still even that would involve a ver; important alteration in the aspect of the earth in such periods of time as belong to a planet's history. A millions years would reduce the sea-level by a thousand feet, and in a pe iod of time, which cannot be reckoned long when compared with the vast periods of which the heavens and the earth speak to us, every trace of water would earth. -R. A. Proctor, in Good Words.

THE CITY COMMISSION OF SEWERS IN LONDON AND CREMATION. the author of the farrage of absurdities and The chances of detecting many of the most accomplished, and they are now used for the Governor Goodwin. Eildenhope. dangerous mineral poisons in cremated re- printing of engravings as well as of letter- Allahabad.

NEWSPAPER PRINTING.

(Phrenotogical Journal, New York). At the time of the France-Prussian war, the sale of newspapers in Lundon was limited only by the ability of the press to supply them. When the circulation of the New York Weekly Tribune was over 200,000, it required two days to print an edition on one of Floo's fast terr-cylinder presses. This may do for weekly newspapers, as they are not so much relied upon for news but for a daily it would not answer at all. There is no merchantable commodity in its nature so perishable as nows. What is news in the morning at breakfast time is, in the afternoon, no news, and has then no commercial value as such. The problem then was to print the whole of one of these immense editions between the time of going to-press in the muall hours of the morning and an oarly sunrise. This could be done only by that, owing to its favourable position as a setting several presses running at the same port of call for our Eastern trading ships, time. But to set up the paper half-a-dozen British North Borneo was destined to beconsider how many compositors would be required, how much room they Mr Hyde Clarke, Admiral Mayne, and Mr would occupy, and how much all this would cost. But the problem has at length been solved by the introduction into newspaper printing of the storeotype. Book stereotypmatters. The chairman having pointed out ing has already been described. In stereotyping for newspapers the process is not greatly different from thut, except in the material of which the matrix is made, which in this case is papier muche, simply paper. The advantages which this possesses over plaster or THE QUEEN'S VISIT TO GERMANY. clay are, the readiness with which it can be The Queen and Princess Beatrice will, made to dry and harden, and the facility according to the most recent arrangements, with which it can be made to assume the says the Daily News of the 18th March, somicircular form required for a cylindrical leave Windsor Castle on the 7th of April | press. The paper matrix is made by laying for Germany. The Royal party, attended a sheet of moderately thick unsized paper. by the Marchioness of Ely, Lady Churchill, something like blotting-paper-the smooth. Lord Bridport, and General Sir H. F. surface of which has been treated with Ponsonby, will travel by special train over powdered French chalk-upon the form the South Western and South Eastern Rail- previously oiled, adding thereto successive ways to Port Victoria, the terminal station layers of tissue paper, dampening the whole of the Hundred of Hoo line, at the mouth and covering it with a wet cloth. The of the Medway, which will be reached in paper is then beaten into the interstices of an hour and three quarters, the journey the type with brushes. The wet cloth is being seven-and-a-half miles shorter than | then removed, a reinforcosheet of the thickthat to Queensborough, while the anchorage | cr paper added, and the benting renewed.

> open for the entrance of the melten metal. tilted to an unright position, and the metal poured in. The stereotype plate thus cast, about one-half inch in thickness, is partially cooled by throwing upon the casting box a few dipperfuls of cold water; the box is then opened and the plate removed to a sort of horse, which is fits like a suddle. and the ragged edges pared off with chisels, after which it is transferred to the cylinder of the printing muchine. In a daily news paper there is always one page, the form for which is not locked up until near the nour of going to press, in order to get the very latest news. All the other, forms have been proviously locked up and storeatyped, as many plates being made from each as it is intended to have presses running. As the hour for going to press appronches-about 2 a.m. -the last form is locked up, and quickly sterentyped the same as the others, the places adjusted to Di'tion of wind the cylinders of the rotary presses, and the Force muchines put in motion. At 3 a.m. the Weather..... morning papers are to be found in all the Rain...... down-town hotels, restaurants, and salcons. open at that early hour, though all the sheets are not struck off until an hour or an hour and a half later. Nowspapers that issue two or more sheets go to press with the sheets containing advertisements and all matter not strictly news at an earlier hour of the night. The method of making stereotypes for newspapers originated here through Mr Charles Craske, and was by him introduced into the office of the New York Tribune in 1861. As improvements. which facilitate its operations and add to its effectiveness are made in one of the machines of any given series, every other one in that series has to mond its pace in order to keep up. Newspapers were now printed to rapidly that it became necessary to provide some method quicker than manipulation by human fingers to get them out of the way of the steam press. Steam

printing machines created a demand for steam folding machines; and, as necessity is said to be the mother of invention; the A meeting of this Commission was held latter appeared in due time, but not a day

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